

IMPROVISED HEATER CALLS OUT FIREMEN

Workman In School Building Was Only Keeping Self Warm.

PASSERBY THINKS BUILDING ON FIRE

Turns In Alarm and the Department and School Officials Respond.

When Charles Rappold, of Baltimore, who is installing electrical apparatus in the new physics laboratory at Western High School, got cold this morning he improvised a hot heater out of a six-foot gas pipe and lighted it to keep warm.

Because the flame was near a window and looked, from the outside, the place was afire, the electrician made it a great deal warmer for himself than he hoped for.

A pedestrian on Thirty-sixth street northwest saw what he thought unmistakable signs of a real fire on the third floor of the new school shortly before 10 o'clock, and he rushed to the nearest telephone and called for the engines.

Rappold, in the meantime, was blithely working away in the room when suddenly there burst in upon him representatives of four engine companies, an extra hose cart, Chief of the Fire Department, Superintendent of Schools, T. Stuart, and Superintendent of Public Instruction S. E. Kramer.

Was Welding Wires.

The firemen carried hose ready to pour gallons of water onto the supposed burning structure. Messrs. Stuart and Kramer carried looks of worry. As they broke in upon the labors of Rappold, however, there was no need to ask "where's the fire?" Rappold was sitting near the jumping flame, calmly welding two wires together.

It was at first thought upon Chief Wagner's arrival that a false alarm of fire had been turned in, since the police and fire departments have been greatly worried by two young white men who are said to have been turning in false alarms recently.

The police today redoubled their efforts to apprehend the two young white men believed to be responsible for the large number of false alarms.

Many Alarms Turned In.

While the pavements were covered with snow and ice, the department was called out repeatedly by false alarms, and that no accidents resulted from the numerous useless runs is regarded as remarkable. The alarms have come from all sections of the city, but no clue was obtained in the last Wednesday night. Patrolman Houschild, of the Ninth precinct, detected two youths tampering with the box at Seventeenth and G streets northwest. They jumped on bicycles when the patrolman started after them, and escaped. While police all over the District were looking for them, two more "quacks" came in last night. One from New Jersey avenue and K street northwest and the other from Eighth and N streets northwest. Nellie Smith, living in Reeves court, saw a man running away, after sending in the alarm from Eighth and O streets. He answers the description of one of the men seen by Houschild.

Man and Wife Adopt Motherless Little Girl

Justice Gould, sitting in Equity Court, No. 2, granted papers today to Garret L. Vinton and Ida L. Vinton, for the legal adoption of Margaret C. Reeves, a motherless girl of five years, who was taken from the house of Mercy by them.

The child has been living with the Vintons for the last six months, and they decided that they would like to adopt her.

Plan Watch Meeting.

A watch party has been arranged to be held at the Shiloh Baptist Church, L street, near Seventeenth street northwest, on Saturday night.

A program of songs appropriate to the occasion has been arranged by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Waldron, who has planned that those in attendance will spend the last ten minutes of the old year and the first ten of the new year in prayer.

DEATHS

FERRIS—On Thursday, December 29, 1910, at his residence, 122 Sixth street southwest, HARRY M. FERRIS, son of Martha A. and the late Henry M. Ferris, aged thirty years.

FERRIS—Funeral services Friday, December 30, at 2:30 p. m., at his late residence. Interment private.

LEITCH—On Thursday, December 29, 1910, at 9:30 a. m., WILLIAM, husband of Margaret E. Leitch, aged forty-two years.

Funeral from his late residence, 320 and-a-half street southwest, on Saturday, December 31, at 2 p. m.; service to St. John's Lutheran Evangelical Church, where services will be held at 2:30 p. m. Interment at Prospect Hill Cemetery.

MEADE—On Wednesday, December 28, 1910, after a brief illness, at his residence, 1307 Third street northwest, CHRISTOPHER, the beloved husband of Emily M. Meade, in the sixty-eighth year of his age.

Funeral Saturday, December 31, at 2 p. m. Interment at Rock Creek Cemetery. (Boston papers please copy.)

McDERMOTT—On Thursday, December 29, 1910, at 7:50 a. m., MRS. JAMES McDERMOTT, widow of the late John McDERMOTT.

Funeral from her sister's residence, 2807 O street northwest, Saturday, December 31, at 2 p. m.; service to Holy Trinity Church, at 2 p. m.; interment at Holy Trinity Church.

McCLELLAN—On Thursday, December 29, 1910, at 9:20 a. m., at Garfield Hospital, JAMES O. McCLELLAN, aged seventy years.

Funeral from the chapel of Joseph Gawler, undertaker, 1200 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, on Saturday, December 31, at 2 p. m. Friends are invited to attend. Interment at the National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

SMITH—Suddenly, on Thursday, December 29, 1910, at 10:20 a. m., HELEN BERNARD SMITH, daughter of Marshall A. and Mary A. Smith, of 417 Ninth street southwest.

Funeral from St. Dominic's Church, Saturday, December 31, at 9 a. m. Interment in Holy Rood Cemetery.

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TARIFF BOARD BILL BEFORE THE CABINET

Longworth Measure Understood to Have Approval of the White House—President's Brother Discusses Ohio Appointments With Executive.

Charles P. Taft, brother of the President, reached Washington this morning and conferred with the Executive about politics in general and took up with him the question of Ohio appointments.

The tariff commission idea was talked over and Representative Longworth, who will introduce a bill in the House providing for this board, was called in to outline the provisions which he will incorporate in his measure.

Later the Cabinet met and the tariff board matter was further considered. So far as could be learned the White House is favorable to the Longworth measure, and this will probably be supported in the House as the Administration idea of what the proposed board should consist of and do.

Provisions of Bill.

Mr. Longworth's bill provides for the appointment of five commissioners, who are to serve two, three, four, five, and six years, respectively. They are to receive \$7,500 a year for their services and \$400,000 will be appropriated for their use. This commission will make recommendations only for the guidance of the committee of Congress.

Mr. Taft also took up the Ohio patronage situation with his brother and recommended the appointment of Eugene Lewis to succeed himself as United States marshal for the Southern district of Ohio. The subcommittee and United States district attorney will also be named, but no agreement was reached today concerning them.

Mrs. Taft and Miss Louise Taft are guests at the White House, having come to Washington to be present at the "coming out" ball to be given tomorrow night in honor of Miss Helen Taft.

Change of Sentiment.

Alvin H. Sanders, a member of the tariff board, called on the President today to talk over the question of a permanent tariff commission. As he was leaving the White House, Mr. Sanders remarked on the great change in public sentiment toward the idea of a tariff board.

"Two years ago," said Mr. Sanders, "if I would have come to Washington

and mentioned the tariff board subject I would have been thrown out. Nobody seemed to take the matter seriously, and it was next to impossible to get a hearing in any quarter.

"Now the question of a tariff commission, that is, a permanent commission, has become a national issue. It is the biggest question now before Congress, and the most important political development of the day."

Mr. Sanders is a Chicago man and a former editor. He was one of the earliest advocates of a board of expert advisers on tariff matters. He is regarded as an authority on the importation of all kinds of live stock and packing house products.

Dr. Remsen a Caller.

Dr. Ira Remsen, president of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, and head of the Federal reserve board, commonly known as the "Benzoids of Soda Board," called to see the President today in company with Secretary Wilson, to talk over the vacancy on the board caused by the death of Dr. Herter, of New York. The President told his callers to recommend a good man and the appointment would follow.

The President congratulated Dr. Remsen on the success of the movement in Baltimore to raise \$1,000,000 to re-establish the university at Homewood. This, the President regarded as an achievement worthy of the generosity of the people of that city.

Secretary Nagel today introduced the new officers of the light-house service to a board, as under the old regime. Those present today were Commissioner G. R. Putnam, Deputy Commissioner A. V. Conway, Chief Constructing Engineer J. S. Conway, and Superintendent of Naval Construction George Warrington.

The President today received New Year greetings from a number of monarchs and other foreign dignitaries, and after returning his own best wishes to each of them, for their happiness and prosperity during the coming year.

DEMOCRATS FIGHT FOR CHOICE PLACES

Forecast of Troubles to Come In Kitchen—Pou Rivalry for Committee.

Various intense rivalries have been aroused among the House Democrats over choice places on the Ways and Means Committee, and one of the most interesting of these is the fight between Representative Claude Kitchin, North Carolina, and Representative Pou, of the same State.

This rivalry has caused much interest among the members of the North Carolina delegation. They will have a conference here next week in which they will consider it. It threatens to split the delegation.

The trouble relates closely to the controversy in the tariff session over free lumber. Senator Simmons was roundly denounced by Joseph Daniels and one faction of the Democratic party in North Carolina for voting against free lumber. Representative Pou, who is on the Ways and Means Committee, took the same position as Simmons.

Now, Pou wants to remain on the committee. Kitchin is hostile to the protectionist Democrats and is anxious to get on the committee. So there is a rivalry.

The Kitchin-Pou rivalry is a sample of the troubles which the House Democrats are going to be plunged into on account of the disagreement in their ranks over what should be the policy on tariff.

Leaves All to Niece.

According to the will of Catherine Lang, filed today, all her property, with the exception of a single share of \$50 in the St. Aloysius Church, is to go to her niece, Honora M. McLellan.

The will is dated April 4, 1908, and the niece is also named as executrix.

DEATHS

BLACKMAN—On Thursday, December 29, 1910, ROBERT LESTER BLACKMAN, son of W. L. and Emily May Blackman, of 1448 Kalorama road, aged eighteen months.

Funeral private.

BROWN—On Wednesday, December 28, 1910, at 9:40 o'clock a. m., FRANK H. BROWN, brother of Mrs. Frank J. Reed and William and Marshall Brown.

Funeral Friday, December 30, from his sister's residence, 3112 Thirtieth street northwest, at 2 o'clock.

BROWN—On Thursday, December 29, 1910, at 11 p. m., at her residence, 812 Wisconsin avenue northwest, Mrs. BISHOP BROWN, widow of Bishop Brown.

Notice of funeral later.

BYINGTON—On Thursday, December 29, 1910, at the residence of his son, Flushing, L. I., J. HOMER BYINGTON, aged eighty-three years.

Interment at Norwalk, Conn.

CAMPBELL—On Wednesday, December 28, 1910, at Providence Hospital, JAMES J. husband of Frances Campbell, of 938 New York avenue northwest, 104.

Funeral services at Wright's chapel, 1327 Tenth street northwest, Friday, December 30, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment at Alexandria, Va.

CORCORAN—On Thursday, December 29, 1910, at 2 a. m., at her residence, 317 Penna. road, Mrs. CORCORAN, widow of the late John L. CORCORAN.

Funeral Saturday, December 31, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment private.

DOVE—On Thursday, December 29, 1910, at 7 p. m., JAMES J., husband of Kate A. Dove (nee Young).

Notice of funeral hereafter.

DUNIGAN—On Thursday, December 29, 1910, at 12:45 p. m., at her residence, 1252 Maryland avenue northwest, 104 (one bus stop), wife of Raymond L. Dunigan and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Buscher.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

EPPE—On Wednesday, December 28, 1910, at 12:25 a. m., at her residence, 1604 Vermont avenue northwest, ELLEN, widow of the late Harry Eppe and mother of Sylvester H. Eppe and Carrie L. Eppe, of 1604 Vermont.

Funeral from Vermont Avenue Baptist Church, Friday, December 30, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited.

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FUNERAL TOMORROW FOR J. O. McCLELLAN

Civil War Veteran and Employee of Treasury Department.

Funeral services for James O. McClellan, civil war veteran, and a former Government employe in the Treasury Department, who died at his home, 1326 Pennsylvania avenue, Thursday morning, will be held from Oliver's Chapel, at 2 o'clock to improve afternoon.

Mr. McClellan was born in Bristol, Ill., in 1810. At the age of sixteen years he was teaching school, but later resigned to enter the University of Chicago. After his graduation, in 1862, Mr. McClellan came to Washington and studied law at what is now George Washington University. Receiving an appointment to a position in the Treasury Department, Mr. McClellan, who was then master in chancery of the circuit court of Kane county, Ill., came to Washington with his family to live.

During the civil war Mr. McClellan served as captain in the Sixty-ninth Illinois Regiment. The funeral services will be held under the auspices of Burnside Post, Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., of which he was a member.

Surviving Mr. McClellan are his wife, formerly Caroline A. Albee, of Michigan, who resides at 1326 Pennsylvania avenue; one son, James Sherman McClellan, of Chicago; and three daughters, Julia and Eunice McClellan, of this city, and Edith McClellan, of Minneapolis.

Discarded Federal Arms Held From Iron Workers

To prevent dissatisfied iron workers in Pennsylvania from getting possession of Krag-Jorgensen rifles that have been substituted in the army by the new Springfield musket, the War Department is refusing to sell any of the discarded fire arms to dealers. Only voluntary militia organizations and legitimate clubs are allowed to purchase them. It has been reported that iron workers are arming themselves preparatory to a strike.

Oldest Inhabitants To Pay Taft a Visit

Members of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association are planning to call on President Taft Monday afternoon. White badges will be worn. The regular monthly meeting will be held at the Corcoran Building, Fifteenth and F streets, between 10 and 12 o'clock.

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SHOT BY ACCIDENT, IS FISHEL VERDICT

Coroner Investigates Death of Seventh Street Importer's Son.

Death by accident was the verdict of the coroner's jury at the inquest today over the boy of Leif Fishel, who shot himself in the heart while examining a revolver in his room on the third floor of 2614 Connecticut avenue.

The accident occurred shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, while Fishel was alone in the house. He died twelve hours later in the Emergency Hospital.

Neighbors, hearing the shot, telephoned the police, and Patrolmen Edwards and St. Awer hurried to the house and broke in the rear door. They found Fishel lying on the floor of his room with a bullet wound in the left side of his chest. He was still conscious, and told the policemen he had unintentionally discharged the weapon while examining it.

Fishel, who was twenty-five years old, was the son of Adolph M. Fishel, a wealthy Seventh street millinery importer. He was formerly employed in the navy yard, but at the request of his parents had given up the position.

Witnesses testified that Mr. Fishel told them he had taken two revolvers away from his son during the last year. The weapon with which he killed himself he purchased a few hours before the accident.

Robbers Plead Guilty And Are Given Sentences

Following the indictments by the grand jury in the case of Butler, alias Candy Butler, and Horace Dent, for housebreaking and larceny, Chief Justice Harry M. Claiborne, of the District Supreme Court, today sentenced the two men to terms of two and six years, respectively, in the penitentiary.

Of all the cases brought before Justice Claiborne today, the men who were indicted on Tuesday, these were the only two who entered pleas of guilty, and their cases were disposed of at once.

The charge against Butler was that of entering a shoe-blackening establishment on Pennsylvania avenue and taking therefrom a number of articles of clothing. There were sixteen counts against Butler for larceny and house-breaking.

Situation in Portugal Alarming to England

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The foreign office is greatly worried over the situation in Portugal, but announced today that no request had yet been made for the sending of an English warship to the scene.

Despite reports from the Portuguese capital that numerous secret arrests were being made the foreign office declared that the situation does not warrant the anticipation of an uprising. Private advices confirm the report of secret arrests, but working people many of whom are on a strike. At the Portuguese legation in London it was stated that the situation is alarming and a threatened uprising.

Gets Silver Souvenir.

The Rev. A. J. Duarte, S. J., has been presented with a silver souvenir by the Aloysius Club. The presentation was made by President James A. Healy at a smoker given by the club in its club-rooms last night.

White House Callers.

Senator Carter of Montana, Representative Longworth of Ohio, Alvin H. Sanders, of Tariff Board, Dr. Ira Remsen, of Baltimore, Charles P. Taft, of Cincinnati, G. R. Putnam, Lighthouse Commission.

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BATHTUB KINGS DENIED LENIENCY

Trust Lawyers Urge Compromise, But Government Demands Jail Sentences.

Four attorneys representing fifty indicted officials of the Bathtub trust, sought leniency for their clients in exchange for pleas of guilty at the Department of Justice today, only to learn that the Government, confident of convictions in every case, intends to strain its efforts to send every erring official to jail.

Edward T. Grosvenor, one of the trust-busting assistants of Attorney General Wickersham, intimated to the attorneys that the Government was indifferent whether the defendants pleaded guilty, being confident that the result will be the same in any case.

The trials of the officials are set for January 4, when they must each answer to two indictments of ten counts each. Four counts of each indictment charge conspiracy in violation of the anti-trust law; four charge combination in restraint of trade; and two charge monopoly. Each of these offenses is punishable by a fine of \$5,000 and a maximum term of one year in jail. The Government does not hope to obtain maximum penalties in every case, but it does expect to send every one of the indicted men, all of whom are wealthy, to the penitentiary for at least twelve months.

The refusal of the Government to enter into any leniency compact is in keeping with the recent statement of Attorney General Wickersham, who, when a Pittsburgh court imposed fines of \$10,000 on indicted directors of the Window Glass trust, declared that fines alone meant little or nothing to trust officials and that in the future he would insist that jail sentences be added when ever possible. He has recently repeated this sentiment in connection with the coming trial of the Bathtub trust officials.

Supreme Court Members Meet Justice Lamar

Today marked the observance by Chief Justice Edward D. White of a social amenity whose origin dates back to the founding of the Supreme Court of the United States. It was a formal call on the seven members of the court by the chief justice for the purpose of introducing to them their future colleagues, Justice Joseph R. Lamar.

Custom demands that a newly appointed justice shall call on the chief justice immediately upon his arrival in Washington and that the chief justice shall then escort him to call on all the members of that bench. Justice Lamar called on Chief Justice White yesterday.

New Year Holiday Will Be Day and Half

All Government clerks will have a holiday from noon tomorrow until Tuesday morning. This is in conformance with the order issued just before Christmas, granting a half holiday on Saturday, as Monday is a legal holiday, all the departments will be closed on that day.

The Library of Congress will close all the divisions tomorrow at noon, and remain closed until Tuesday. The National Academy of Sciences will close on Saturday, from 10 a. m. to 12 o'clock.

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